

U. S. INDUSTRY CALLED MODEL

Head of French Naval Mission Says Old World Must Follow.

PLEASED AT WELCOME

Government Bureaus and Steel Plants Cause Admiral to Marvel.

(Washington Herald-Public Ledger Service, Special Cable Dispatch.)

Paris, July 11.—Admiral Charbonnier, chief engineer and inspector general of the practice and experimental service of artillery of the French navy, has just returned from the United States, where he headed the French naval mission. He said in an interview he was convinced the Old World must follow the industrial and scientific lesson taught by America. The mission of naval experts made a tour of the big American industrial establishments specializing in the production of naval artillery as guests of the Secretary of the Navy and with a view to a closer relationship between France and America in the science of naval ordnance. The mission visited Washington, Philadelphia, the du Pont plants, Norfolk, Bethlehem, Niagara, Schenectady, New England and New York.

Impressed by American.

Admiral Charbonnier said: "The trip was sufficient to convince us of the immense power of America for scientific and industrial development. The people, young and active, who leave nothing undone, make the best of the inexhaustible riches. Without a doubt, the positive, practical intelligence of Americans leads more to specialization in production than to speculation, scientific research, but the technical instruction in America is most practical. But the New World has given us the lesson of fruitful activity, methodical organization, intelligent courage and marvelous aptitude for assimilation. We were touched by the welcome on all sides from Americans. It is regrettable that more French missions representing all activities have not been sent to the United States. We were given a reception by Admiral and Mrs. Sims at the Naval War College, and were charmed with the culture of the student officers who conversed with us in French about our art, history and letters. We have most happy memories of Philadelphia, where, at a banquet, our hosts among the elite of intellectual and social life sang the Marseillaise with all their hearts in French."

Admiral Charbonnier declared the Bureau of Standards at Washington the best in the world for construction service. He praised also the Aberdeen proving ground which amazed him by its size.

Praises Bureau. "There is nothing comparable to it," he said, "on this side of the Atlantic. In the world for all kinds of artillery and test any manner of performance which is so necessary before deciding on installation on ships."

"We were impressed at the Midvale steel plant, which is characteristic of America, where mechanical development is such a factor in its great output that the need of manual labor is minimized. In the steel plant seems to us the most perfect and the most formidable industry in America."

"In Washington we were surprised at the arrangement of the War and Navy Departments, acres of buildings, which is quite a practical plan. We asked the Secretary of the Navy if there were any secrets he would not expect them to be revealed, but he replied that the United States had no secret closets for the French navy, and so the trip was most beneficial in the study of the details of artillery construction."

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WASHINGTON NAMES K. OF C. DELEGATES

Washington will be represented at the thirty-eighth annual supreme council of the Knights of Columbus in New York by D. J. Callahan, supreme treasurer; Maurice J. Callahan, supreme deputy; and Dr. A. C. Schaefer, past state deputy; Dr. A. D. Wilkinson and Dr. C. I. Griffith.

The convention will be held in New York August 3, 4 and 5, with headquarters at the Commodore Hotel. It is expected that 50,000 knights and their families will be in New York.

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\$602 Pay Check Goes to Miner For June Work

Frostburg, Md., July 11.—Joe Witolski, a Russian Pole, employed by the Atlantic Coal company at Blackfield, drew \$602.67 for a single month's pay for digging coal. The pay for the first half of June was \$292.64, and the last half, \$310.03, almost the equal of the monthly pay of a Congressman. Witolski dug during June 399.12 tons of coal, or enough to fill eight large steel hoppers. Pat Flynn, at Meyersdale, drew \$264 for two weeks' work in the mine of the Highland Coal Company, operated by Roy Brothers, a short distance south of Meyersdale. During that period, Flynn averaged nine to ten hours a day, and unassisted at that time, he dug and loaded half enough coal to fill a steel hopper car.

JUNKET SAILS FOR THE EAST

Congressional Members, Wives and Families Leave Golden Gate.

The Congressional "junket," the Great Northern, steamed out of the Golden Gate, San Francisco harbor, Friday, with forty-one members of the Congressional party aboard.

The members, who will travel in the East, are as follows:

D. R. Anthony and sister, family of Representative D. R. Anthony, Jr.; sister of Representative Fred Britten, Mrs. E. E. Browne, wife of Representative E. E. Browne, and daughter; Representative Guy E. Campbell, wife and two daughters; Representative J. C. Dever, wife and two daughters; Representative L. C. Dyer, wife and two daughters; E. F. Erie, secretary to Representative Dyer, wife and daughter; Representative James A. Frear, wife of Representative Warren Gard; wife and niece of Representative L. B. Goodfellow; Representative Rufus Hardy, wife and two daughters of Senator William F. Harris; wife and daughter of Representative W. W. Hastings; wife and two daughters of George W. Hendrick, director of the United States Botanical Gardens; Representative H. S. Herschman; wife and sister-in-law of Representative James H. Mays; Representative J. M. Monahan and two daughters, wife of Representative L. W. Mott; Representative Frank Murphy and son; Representative E. C. Osborne, daughter of Senator Carroll S. East; Representative M. P. Philan, wife, two daughters and son; Representative Stephen G. Porter, daughter and chaperon; Representative C. H. Randall, sister, niece and daughter; Representative J. R. Rordan and family; Representative C. D. Robinson and son; wife of Representative Everett Sanders; Representative W. M. Shreve and wife; Representative John U. Small and daughter; daughter of Representative Henry J. Steele; Senator Thomas Sterling and son; three daughters and sister of Representative D. Sullivan; son of Representative John W. Summers; Representative W. S. Vane, wife and three daughters, and Representative H. C. Woodyard, wife and son.

MAN IN BARREL DIES IN PLUNGE OVER FALLS OF NIAGARA

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down like a cork, swinging from the middle of the channel toward the Canadian side. With its black and white stripes it looked like a giant float on a fishline.

Forty-five minutes after the barrel began its voyage it plunged over the precipice of water at a point about one-quarter of the distance across the falls from the Canadian shore. It took the plunge head-first and slid down the face of the cataract in plain view of the watchers, until it was midway between the crest and the bottom when it disappeared. Then it went behind a cloud of spray and was lost to sight.

For several hours watchers waited for the barrel to reappear below the foot of the falls. A riverman, who went down near the foot of the great waterfall in a rowboat in an effort to find the barrel. The Maid of the Mist, the staunch little steamer that takes sightseers up to the foot of the falls, cruised about in search of the barrel. It was finally picked up and Stephens was put down as another victim of the Niagara. The body has not yet been recovered.

Veteran Plunger Witness. Bobby Leach, of this city, who went over the falls in a steel barrel on July 15, 1919, at the foot of the falls, said that the barrel predicted that it could not succeed in making the trip.

Mrs. Anna Edson Taylor made a successful trip over the falls in an oak barrel in October, 1901. Leach's trip took thirty-nine minutes. That of Mrs. Taylor took ten minutes. The barrel she was in was caught in an eddy below the falls before rivermen recovered the barrel after the plunge.

Stephens was 58 years old. His barrel was the first high-speed trip of a stanch Russian oak girded with heavy steel hoops. The interior of the barrel was padded, and Stephens wore a padded suit. The barrel was equipped with electric lights and an oxygen tank, the latter with a gas-mask-like contrivance which was the invention of T. W. Hill, of Bristol, a friend of Stephens. It was partly to reach the efficiency of the invention that Stephens made the trip.

Acts as Y. W. C. A. Hostess.

Hagerstown, Md., July 11.—Mrs. Rose Dorsey Habersham, formerly of this city, who has been for some time domiciled in France, Italy and Belgium, is hostess at the Y. W. C. A. in Antwerp during the international athletic games this summer.

Charlotteville Boy Drowned.

Charlotteville, Va., July 11.—Delma Herring, aged 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Herring, of Barboursville, was drowned Thursday in the Ohio River, near Pittsburgh. The body was not found for two days and then about eight miles down the river above reached his home at Barboursville Sunday and was buried at Rochelle.

"SCHOOL DAYS"

By DWIG

OH MAN! KN I HAVE SOME MORE MEAT?



FOR BOTH MAN AND BEAST

Thirsty Germans Squander Fortunes for French Wines Smuggled into Rhineland

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Berlin, June 25.—France, after suffering under German military invasion during four years of war, is revenging herself by a heavy commercial invasion of the German market. This invasion in 1919 resulted in millions of francs profit to French manufacturers and exporters of luxury wares like silks, furs, perfumes, wines and liquors. The uncontrolled influx of these goods through the so-called "Hole in the West" contributed largely to the collapse of German exchange rates on importation and the value, as great masses of the prohibited luxury imports were brought in without control and even without payment of duty from the occupied zone. A summary compiled by the German semi-official Journal of Commerce and Industry from the French trade statistics shows that French exports to an impoverished Germany in 1919 increased by 45 per cent, as compared with the last peace year, 1913. The approximate figures reduced to dollars at the normal rate are for 1919, \$256,775,000, and for 1913, \$173,353,000.

These figures reflect the increased

prices of all commodities. The statistics show that France is getting back in part of her losses in increased trade with her vanquished enemy. Germany's share of the French exports was increased materially in many commodities as compared with her total exports to all countries.

Germany took in 1919 55 per cent of the entire French export of cotton textiles against 14 per cent in 1913; 30 per cent of the total woolen goods exports as compared with 2.2 per cent in 1913; and 11 per cent of all French silk wares exported in 1919, against 2.5 per cent in 1913.

France was further able to make up in part for the lost or impaired market for French wines, spirits and liquors due to United States prohibition and increased import duties in England, Brazil and Argentina by dumping these beverages upon Germany, against the will of the government, but to the delight of the spending public.

While French total exports of spirits fell off owing to the above causes practically 50 per cent between 1913 and 1919, Germany absorbed in 1919, 2,200,354 quarts of spirits and liquors valued at \$5,164,000 francs (approximately \$5,000,000 nominal), as compared with \$1,481,251 worth 738,000 francs (\$1,476,000) in 1913. In addition to these quantities of brandy, cognac, aperitifs and liquors, over 13,300,000 quarts of French wines came in for thirsty German throats.

Mostly through the open customs barrier on the western frontier. Of perfumes, soaps and toilet articles, mostly luxuries, exported in 1919, Germany absorbed 30 per cent. The German share of these exports in 1913 was only 24 per cent. Over 10,000,000 pounds of these commodities, valued at \$3,540,000 francs (\$3,705,000 nominal), with a large part of which the German government would willingly have dispensed, were sold into Germany last year. Payment for them assisted materially in driving down the exchange value of the German mark.

Almost 90 per cent were brought in through the occupied area. During the first two months of the present year the flood of French wares continued to pour in at an ever increasing rate through the occupied zone in the west. Barely 20 per cent came through the customs gates over which Germany had control, leaving 388 still pending.

Family of 53 to Hold Reunion.

Lynchburg, Va., July 11.—Mr. and Mrs. George Coleman and children, of Lynchburg, have gone to Appomattox to be present at a family reunion at the home of Mr. Coleman's mother, Mrs. Anna Coleman, at which fifty-three children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren are present.

Deacon Objects

To Church Talk On Moonshining

Lynchburg, Va., July 11.—A prohibition meeting at Diamond Hill Presbyterian Church, eight miles south of Lynchburg, in Campbell County, ended in a riot last Sunday when R. E. Mitchell, deacon of the church, interfered when S. K. Arthur was delivering a fervid oration urging the congregation to stop making moonshine whisky.

Mitchell ordered Arthur to "shut up and leave the church." A turmoil started at once, members of the congregation taking both sides. So far as can be learned no blows were struck. T. B. Tweedy, one of the church superintendents of the Rustburg district, who had accompanied Arthur to the church, swore out a warrant charging Mitchell with disturbing public worship.

The warrant was later withdrawn, but State Attorney A. H. Light has stated his intention of presenting the whole matter to the grand jury at their next sitting.

BEAUTIES OF BEACH TO COMPETE FOR CUP

Washington's own "Beauty Show of 1920" will be presented at the Tidal Basin beach Saturday, when two silver cups will be presented by Manager L. Gordon Leach to the local damsels endowed and adorned with the most pulchritude.

At 3:30 o'clock, rosy maidens in fantastic bathing costumes will parade before three judges, who will pick the prettiest and most becomingly costumed.

Take It from Uncle Eph.



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BROKEN HEART KILLS WOMAN

Rescued from Syrian Mission, Mrs. Ferris Comes Home Only to Die.

Moundsville, W. Va., July 11.—Rescued from an American mission in Syria last April after her husband had been massacred by the Turks, Mrs. John Ferris, an aged woman who had spent the greater part of her life in foreign mission work, died here yesterday from a broken heart after the tragic end of her work.

Mrs. Ferris returned to her old home in Moundsville, West Virginia, when rescued from the mission she was exhausted from starvation.

Two sons and a large number of nephews and nieces in Moundsville made a home for the aged woman.

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Prepares to Plunge Into Sea Of Educational Duties Here.

Dr. Frank W. Ballou, superintendent of schools, returned to Washington yesterday following the completion of a course of lectures at the University of Pittsburgh, and will today plunge into a sea of work made ready for him by acting Superintendent Stephen E. Kramer. Kramer has prepared data on teachers' salaries, supplies and other school matters for submission to Dr. Ballou. The new superintendent also will face the construction of a new curriculum for the schools, purchase of new textbooks and additions to the school administration's clerical force.

Dr. Abram Simon, president of the Board of Education, left Washington yesterday for a vacation. Dr. Simon has decided to divide work on the theory that other school officials can do it just as well. He already has relinquished the duty of signing the semi-monthly payrolls in favor of Dr. Henry B. Leonard, vice president of the school board, and intends to divide evenly scores of clerical tasks performed by Dr. John Van Schalk, Jr., when he headed the school board.

VETERAN SLAIN IN PISTOL DUEL

Seriously Wounds Opponent As He Breathes His Last In the Street.

(Special to Washington Herald.)

Charlottesville, Va., July 11.—Zeb Brendon, aged 27, a veteran of the world war, was shot and almost instantly killed about noon today in Barboursville, just across the Orange County line, in a pistol duel.

The trouble between the men was of old standing. Brendon, who was employed at the State convict camp in Amherst County, came to Barboursville on a visit to his parents.

He was refused permission to enter the poolroom by Watson. He stepped back, drew his revolver, and started firing at Watson through an open window.

Watson then drew his revolver and, reaching through a door, shot Brendon. Falling to the ground, the former soldier continued firing.

Watson leaned a rifle too far on the door. Brendon's fourth shot, fired as he was drawing his last breath, hit Watson's chest.

Watson, after receiving medical attention, surrendered to Sheriff Bond, of Orange County. He then was taken to Charlottesville and placed in the University Hospital.

Brendon was wounded in the Argentine and was reported dead when he was not heard from in several months. He was the only brother of a man who was killed in the war.

FARMER PROPS BALKY HORSE UP WITH STICKS

Hyattsville, Md., July 11.—A farmer of Seat Pleasant district, Prince Georges County, has a horse who refuses to back. In fact, the farmer avers, he opposed the horse to backing that it lies down whenever an attempt is made to make it perform a rearward motion.

So the farmer has hit upon the unique plan of propping the steed up with sticks whenever it gets contrary and takes a motion to lie down. He reports the plan a success.

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LAST \$2 DONATED TO CHURCH BRINGS JOB TO PIOUS MAN

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(Special to Washington Herald.) Hyattsville, Md., July 11.—Out of work and with no immediate prospect of securing employment, Hyattsville man contributed his last \$2 to the \$50,000 fund now being raised by St. Jerome's Catholic Church to build a new church, school and hall.

Yesterday, this man told the committee in charge of the drive, he secured a job in the place where he had least expected to find one.

Another striking circumstance, related by the drive committee today, is that a number of those who have contributed most heavily to the fund have been receiving substantial raises in the past few days. The fund stood at \$29,027 today. \$2,639.50 was raised yesterday.

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